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FOREWORD

This Sri Lanka Standard was authrorized for adoption and publication by the Council of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution on 1988-01-25, after the draft, finalized by the Drafting Sub-committee on Maldive Fish, had been approved by the Food and Agricultural Products Divisional Committee.

During the formulation of this specification, a common problem encountered in the local maldive fish industry has been the high moisture levels of processed products. This condition greatly reduces the shelf-life and it is therefore recommended that the product is sufficiently dried before marketing. Eventhough the salt content increases the shelf-life of the product over salting has been found to mask the characteristic flavour of the product. A maximum limit for the salt content has been introduced in this specification with a view to achieving the required shelf-life by drying rather than salting the product.

The product, when properly processed using fish of the tuna species, acquires a spindle shape in appearance.

All standard values in this specification are given in SI units.

This specification is subject to the Food Act No. 26 of 1980 and the regulations framed thereunder.

For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this specification is complied with the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test or an analysis shall be rounded off in accordance with CS 102. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value shall be the same as that of the specified value in this specification.

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1 SCOPE

This specification prescribes requirements and methods of sampling and test for maldive fish.